

State of North Carolina



MICHAEL F. EASLEY
GOVERNOR

BEEF MONTH

2007

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, there are currently over 860,000 cattle in North Carolina that provide a variety of food and other products to the citizens of this State; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina farmers raise beef cattle in all 100 counties; and

WHEREAS, because of cooperation between beef producers and the North Carolina Cattlemen's Association, North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, North Carolina State University, North Carolina A&T University and allied industries, thousands of farms are flourishing across the State; and

WHEREAS, beef and beef products are naturally nutrient rich, providing Americans with a high quality source of protein, iron, zinc and B vitamins, leading nine out of ten households to serve beef at least once every two weeks; and

WHEREAS, more than 20,000 North Carolina operations generate more than \$249 million in cash receipts each year making the beef industry yet another part of the total diversification of agriculture in this state;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MICHAEL F. EASLEY, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim June 2007, as "**BEEF MONTH**" in North Carolina and commend this observance to all our citizens.



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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this eighth day of May in the year of our Lord two thousand and seven, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and thirty-first.